Manuel Barroso of the European Commission to the White House on January 8, 2007.

The President announced the recess appointment of Dabney Langhorne Friedrich and Beryl A. Howell as members of the U.S. Sentencing Commission.

The President announced the recess appointment of John R. Steer as a member of the U.S. Sentencing Commission and designated him Vice Chair.

December 14

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the evening, on the State Floor, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a holiday reception.

December 15

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Abdullah bin Ahmad Badawi of Malaysia. He then had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Arlington, VA. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

Later in afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush went to the State Department where they participated in a holiday reception for members of the diplomatic corps. Later, they returned to the White House.

In the evening, on the State Floor, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a holiday reception.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released December 9

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.J. Res. 102

Released December 11

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Tony Snow

Released December 12

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Tony Snow

Statement by the Press Secretary: Holocaust Denial Conference Sponsored by Iranian Regime

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 2383, H.R. 3817, H.R. 4000, H.R. 4559, H.R. 5061, H.R. 5103, H.R. 5585, H.R. 5690, and H.R. 6121

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Washington

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to New York

Released December 13

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Tony Snow

Statement by the Press Secretary: Visit of European Commission President Jose Barroso

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 4377

Released December 14

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Tony Snow

Released December 15

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Tony Snow

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 3699